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SUBJ: EC FOREIGN MINISTERS COUNCIL, JUNE 21, 1977:

FISHERY MATTERS

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1. SUMMARY: DURING THEIR JUNE 21 COUNCIL SESSION, THE
EC FOREIGN MINISTERS DECIDED ON THIRD COUNTRY FISHING
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LICENSES FOR THE COMING THREE MONTHS, RECEIVED A REPORT
FROM THE COMMISSION ON THIRD COUNTRY NEGOTIATIONS, AND
REVIEWED PREPARATIONS FOR THE JUNE 27 FISHERY COUNCIL.
THE MINISTERS DID NOT DISCUSS SHRIMP FISHING OFF FRENCH
GUIANA. END SUMMARY.

2. THIRD COUNTRY LICENSES

THE MINISTERS DISCUSSED THE COMMISSION'S NEW PROPOSAL FOR A COMMUNITY LICENSING SYSTEM BUT WERE UNABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT. UK FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN (THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT) TOLD REPORTERS THAT TWO MEMBER STATES HAD RESERVATIONS ON THE PROPOSALS AS CURRENTLY DRAFTED. OWEN EXPLAINED THAT THE DECISION WAS THEREFORE TAKEN TO EXTEND THE CURRENT SYSTEM (UNDER WHICH THE PRESIDENCY STATE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ISSUING LICENSES) FOR ANOTHER THREE MONTHS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, IN THE HOPE THAT FURTHER PROGRESS WILL BE MADE ON BOTH THE INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL REGIMES DURING THAT TIME. (A BELGIAN PERM REP OFFICIAL COMMENTED TO MISSION OFFICER THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAS NO EXISTING MECHANISM FOR HANDLING SUCH LICENSE APPLICATIONS AND THAT THE NECESSARY BUREAUCRATIC MACHINERY WOULD HAVE TO BE QUICKLY PUT INTO PLACE IN VIEW OF THE JULY 1 SHIFT TO BELGIAN PRESIDENCY.) THE MINISTERS ALSO AGREED ON EXTENDING EXISTING QUOTAS FOR SPAIN, PORTUGAL, FINLAND, SWEDEN, AND GUYANA THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30.

3. ACCORDING TO A BELGIAN PERM REP OFFICIAL WHO ATTENDED THE COUNCIL SESSION, THE MINISTERS AGREED THAT THE SOVIET UNION, POLAND, AND EAST GERMANY HAVE SHOWN EVERY SIGN OF FOOT-DRAGGING IN RECENT FISHERY TALKS WITH THE EC. THE MINISTERS DECIDED, THEREFORE, THAT IF THERE IS NO SIGN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF NEGOTIATING PROGRESS BY JUNE 30, QUOTAS FOR THESE THREE STATES WILL BE SHARPLY REDUCED FOR A THREE-MONTH PERIOD; IF THERE IS NO PROGRESS BY SEPTEMBER 30, THEY WILL BE EXCLUDED COMPLETELY FROM EC WATERS. THIS DECISION IN PRINCIPLE (WHICH WAS NOT REPEAT NOT ANNOUNCED TO THE PRESS), AS WELL AS THE DECISION ON QUOTAS FOR NON-EAST EUROPEANS (PARA TWO) WILL HAVE TO BE PREPARED AS FORMAL COUNCIL REGULATIONS FOR ADOPTION BY THE JUNE 27 FISHERY COUNCIL. THE COMMISSION WILL THEN NOTIFY THE NON-EAST EUROPEAN STATES OF THEIR QUOTAS, WHILE THE COUNCIL PRESIDENCY (PROBABLY THE UK) WILL NOTIFY THE EAST EUROPEANS.

4. THIRD COUNTRY NEGOTIATIONS
EC COMMISSIONER GUNDELACH REPORTED ON THE CURRENT STATUS OF FISHERY NEGOTIATIONS WITH THIRD COUNTRIES AND JOINED UK MINISTER OF STATE FRANK JUDD IN REPORTING ON THEIR RECENT DISCUSSIONS IN ICELAND. OWEN TOLD REPORTERS AFTER THE MEETING THAT THERE WAS STILL A WIDE GAP BETWEEN EC AND ICELANDIC POSITIONS BUT EMPHASIZED THAT THE SESSION HAD HELPED IMPROVE THE CLIMATE FOR FUTURE TALKS. GUNDELACH TOLD REPORTERS THAT NEGOTIATIONS WITH ICELAND

WOULD RESUME IN SEPTEMBER.

5. JUNE 27 COUNCIL

IRISH FOREIGN MINISTER FITZGERALD TOLD REPORTERS HE HAD INFORMED THE COUNCIL IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO COMMIT THE INCOMING IRISH GOVERNMENT TO A NEW INTERNAL FISHING REGIME. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE MEETING SHOULD BE HELD ANYWAY, LARGELY FOR DISCUSSION OF TECHNICAL

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POINTS, BUT NO DECISIONS ARE EXPECTED.

6. FRENCH GUIANESE SHRIMP FISHERY

EC COMMISSION DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR FISHERIES, EAMON GALLAGHER, TOLD MISSION OFFICER THAT THE MINISTERS DID NOT DISCUSS THE SHRIMP FISHERY ISSUE, WHICH IS TO BE THE SUBJECT OF SECOND EXPERTS MEETING ON JUNE 22 (REFTEL).

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